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Robert Morris, the celebrated patriot of the Revolution, was once asked by Dr. Rush: "Well, Mr. Morris how did you like the sermon? I have heard it highly extolled."

"Why, doctor?" "I did not like it at all. It is too smooth and tame for me. The kind of preaching I like, sir, is that which will drive a man up into a corner of his pew and make him think the devil is after him."

Bismarck once borrowed an autograph album in which he was greatly interested, and wrote a few lines on a page which contained two other autographs. One was:

"My long life has taught me that one must pardon many things and forget nothing." (Signed) "Guizot." The other was: A little forgetfulness will not hurt the sincerity of the pardon." (Signed) "Thiers." Below these Bismarck had written: "My life has taught me that I have much to forget and much to be forgiven for."

When Louis Agassiz, the great scientist and teacher, opened his summer school in

Reverent Scientists. science at Penikese Island he held the first meeting in a large barn. It was a beautiful summer day, and the wide doors stood open to the blue sky, the rocky fields and the sweep of the seas beyond. Agassiz had arranged no program of exercises, trusting to the suggestion of the moment; and as he looked upon the eager faces of those who had come to study nature under his guidance he found his inspiration in them and called upon them to join with him, as the most fitting prelude to their work, in silently asking God's blessing upon it. It was a beautiful scene and the hushed pause that followed the prayer was only broken by the words of an address that carried on, in the same spirit of reverence, the interpretation of the creative work of the Almighty Hand.

Romanes, the great disciple of Darwin, beginning as an infidel, died lately an earnest and consistent Christian. Henry Drummond shows us both in his books and his life that an ardent scientist may also be the most ardent of believers. It is not because we know much, but because we know little, that we affect to be too scientific to believe the Bible. When we are greater than Agassiz, than Romanes, than Dana, than Kelvin, than Drummond, than Newton, we can afford to take such a position—but not until then; and by that time we shall know too much to take it.

Kinds of Preaching.

"Three Autographs.

PROHIBITION MASS MEETING.

This meeting will be held on the 17th day of February, beginning at 10 a.m., in Representatives' Hall. As this is the last issue before that important meeting, we take this occasion to urge our Baptist people to attend. At our Baptist State Convention last July, a resolution asking our lawmakers for State wide prohibition was passed with enthusiasm and perfect unanimity. We expect all who helped to pass that resolution to do all in their power to make the mass meeting a grand success. Let no one depend upon any other one to do what he ought to do. Vermont lost the day recently because the friends of prohibition had grown indifferent, resting in a state of supposed security. Just a little vigilance would have perpetuated the law, giving State-wide prohibition. A legislature can be elected, if all will do their part, that will give us State-wide prohibition. We have waited long and the need is pressing.

All the railroads in the State were given for above occasion one and one-third fare, on the certificate plan. Pay full fare going and take a certificate that you did so, and then you can return for one-third fare.

Senator Wellington has introduced a bill in the United States Senate, which if

Limits to fortunes. it were to become a law, would limit the amount of wealth one man can accumulate to \$10,000.00. In case one should have more than this amount, it would be condemned and forfeited to the treasury of the United States. Of course such a bill will never be enacted into a law; but, if it were, there are several men within the sphere of our acquaintance who would not be effected very materially by it.

How We Stand. Fifteen weeks to work and a credit of \$3635.79 on \$13,000.00. That is the way we stood with the Foreign Mission Board, January 15th, when the last statement was given out. On

the corresponding date of last year we had a credit of only \$2944.94, but we are after \$4,000.00 more in Mississippi this year than we received last year. These figures are not discouraging when we remember that our main work for foreign missions is done in the closing months of the Conventional year. By common consent the first quarter of the year is given by most of our churches to this cause. At the present writing about half of the quarter is gone and only 11 weeks remain till April 30th when the books at Richmond will close. A few more rainy Sundays may

prove rather disastrous to our hopes of reaching our apportionment by knocking out numbers of our churches which have services only once a month. Brother pastors, let us see to it, that our churches all do better for missions this year than ever before. Instead of being a side issue, an incidental question or even on a common level with other claims upon us, the evangelization of the world is the paramount issue before the churches. We are bound to take this position unless we discount the authority of our risen Lord so clearly announced by him as he was in the act of stepping on the throne assigned to him after his resurrection. If we pastors believe this as we ought we will burn it into the conscience of our churches till they believe it too and others will come such a responsive fire will offering accompanied by prayers for the coming of the kingdom that a mighty revival of spiritual power will be kindled in all our churches. Brother, if anybody fails, see that it is not you.

F. YARBOROUGH.

Vice President for Missions.

Mr. Wanamaker, the Superintendent of the great Sunday-school of Philadelphia,

Sayings. once said to a friend, "We are working upon the great center of power in the Sunday-school. When you win a man for Jesus Christ, you have won only a unit. When you win a boy, you have won a whole multiplication table."

It was Dr. Chas. F. Coffin who said, "I believe that any pastor of any church, who will for three years make the Sunday-school the agency for his church for the teaching of the Word and for the evangelizing of his church, not neglecting any other, but putting his throbbing heart as close to that work as he puts it to the work in which he himself has the most conspicuous part,—any pastor that will do that honestly and faithfully and conscientiously, will come nearer doubling his church membership, and the number of souls converted into his church, than by any other method he can adopt."

Satan is no less active now in opposing the work of the saints than when Saul was breathing out threatening and slaughter against the disciples. It is not the spirit of enmity, but its form of manifestation that has changed. Instead of the rack, the thumb screw, the hot iron and the block, it is the taunt, the sneer, the laugh that now are the instruments of persecution. It still costs to be a faithful follower of Christ. We must still suffer persecution for righteousness' sake if we would be unalterably loyal to the truth.—Rev. J. R. Miller.

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The Power of the Gospel.

One of the many strong and very familiar passages of the Bible is found in Rom. 1:16—"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, to the Jew first and also to the Greek" (or Gentiles). The word "power" rendered power is the word *charis*, from which we get the English word "charity," which is the name of one of the most powerful explosives and destructive agencies known. With it the mountains can be removed into the sea, the rocks made smooth, and a highway prepared for man where before only the mountain goat could make its way with ease and success.

As difficult as the hands of man, so is the gospel in the hands of our God. It is the power which uses to blast the stony heart of sin, making in its stead the heart of flesh, or that pulsates with life instead of one that is hard and dead.

When the gospel is preached, so many people as are ordained to eternal life, hear it, accept it, and are saved. The Holy Spirit prepares the heart to receive the truth when it is presented, and blesses it to the salvation of the soul. The gospel—which is the good news about Christ, how He so loved the world and lived in the world and died for it—rose from the grave for it, ascended on high, and is now at the right hand of the Father interceding for it—a token of God's love and eternal doom; and also to a sense of God's wonderful love and compassion for the children of men; showing His anger and willingness to save from sin a fearful consequence of eternal separation from God in endless hell. God has given it this power, which many of us have felt and known.

We know that, as the gospel is being preached to the soul, that in order to be effective, the Holy Spirit must be at work upon the heart. It is the two-fold work of God in saving a soul, very beautifully illustrated by Dr. Bailey, in the following

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words: "The principle of life, the new disposition, is given by the Holy Spirit; but the action of this bias, or spiritual life, as required by God, and experienced by us, is absolutely dependent on truth. There can be no holy desire, affection, volition, except in view of truth. The conscious image of Christ in the soul is produced by the Word of God. The Holy Spirit makes the soul sensitive to the light of truth at the very instant when that light, pouring in upon it, originates, as a means, the visible image of Christ—the new life of faith and love." It is the action of the spirit that prepares the plate; it is the influence of truth which brings out the picture. The soul must be made susceptible, or the light of truth falls upon it in vain. Nothing else than the gospel of Christ has the power to bring out the "picture"—let us never forget this. A man might look into a camera, where no "sensitized plate" was to be found, until doomsday, and there would be no picture. So likewise, we might preach until the heavens fall, and if the Spirit did not prepare the heart, no soul would be saved from sin.

But, as "faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God," and as the soul is saved "by grace, through faith" alone as the channel, which itself is a gift of God, we are prepared to proclaim the gospel to every lost soul in a lost world, being assured that it is the power which God will use, if he uses any, to awaken it to newness of life. And not only to awaken it, but to feed and nurture it into that fulness of life, set forth in the Scriptures as being within the reach of every humble follower of the meek and the lowly ONE. Aside from the "gospel of Christ" none are saved, "for there is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved;" but given this gospel, and such is its power that all the world may believe and be saved to the honor and glory of the Name that is above every other name.

Local Option and Prohibition.

Just half a century ago, or in 1853, the good people of Vermont, by the small majority of about 1,500, voted for State-wide prohibition. Last Tuesday, February 4th, by about the same majority, they voted to go back to the "local option" idea of controlling the saloon.

The reason for this backward step of the Green Mountaineers is found to lie in the fact, according to the Times-Democrat, that "the law was enforced one year and suspended the next; was in operation in one township but openly violated in the neighboring towns," and that "wherever public sentiment opposed it the officers whose duty it was to enforce it winked at its violation." The only wonder is, with such a state of affairs, that they had to wait fifty years before they went back to "local option." It will not be fifty years, nor half that long, before they give up "local option," if in the meantime they don't inject a few drops of manhood into the spinal columns of the men whom they elect to office.

Notes and Comments.

"As scholars, universalists; as churchmen, abolitionists. Honest scholarship; disloyal discipleship." This is the way Dr. Venable put it last week—and you never saw it better stated in all your life.

The University of Chicago has added a chair of Japanese to its already large list of modern languages. Prof. Yashiochi

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graduate of the Northwestern University, has it in charge. There are a number of students in the university who expect to go as missionaries to Japan, and will learn the language before they go, which is eminently the wise thing to do. So it seems that something good can even come out of the University of Chicago!

After reading Dr. Rust's article on the "New Baptisticism," one of our leading brethren said, "That ought to kill it." And it did throw it into convulsions; but like some other errors, after "writhing in pain" a while, it may not "die among its worshippers." More's the pity.

John P. Branch, of Richmond, Va., offers to give to the Randolph-Macon College \$1 for every \$2 it receives from any other source, until his contribution amounts to \$100,000. His proposition holds good until May 1st. He wants to provoke others unto good works also, which is not a bad thing to do.

The Standard's "Chicago as a Field of Religious Effort" number last week was full of facts and figures concerning that great city. It makes very interesting, but painful reading. Of the 2,000,000 souls, only 160,000, or 8 per cent, are members of "Protestant" churches—50,000 Lutherans; 30,000 Methodists; 21,000 Baptists; 18,000 Congregationalists; 16,000 Presbyterians; 8,000 Episcopalians, and on down in smaller numbers ad infinitum almost. The Methodists have 150 churches; Baptists, 90; Congregationalists, 69; and the Presbyterians about the same number. In addition to all their other mission work, the Methodists gave last year for Chicago city missions, \$42,140; the Baptists, \$21,128.53; the Presbyterians, \$18,000; and the Congregationalists, \$16,000. The other denominations are doing practically nothing in this direction. While the showing is pretty good for the four denominations above named, what they have done is not more than "a drop in the bucket" compared with the needs.

Here and There.

There has come on the scene of action at Tupelo, Miss., a brother beloved Rev. Robt. A. Kimbrough, the new pastor is a gifted, faithful, self-sacrificing, deeply-spiritual gospel preacher. For years his consecrated life has been a constant inspiration to me. One can easily take knowledge of him that "he has been with Jesus." Tennessee's loss is Mississippi's great gain. Mrs. Kimbrough is indeed a true help-meet. What a treat is in store for the Tupelo saints!

The tilt between the *Baptist Argus* and the *Western Recorder* averted the universal, invisible, spiritual church awakens great interest. But there is one disappointment about it. The *Argus* believes in the universal, invisible, spiritual church and says: "As we study the writings of the fathers we are more and more confirmed in this belief," but has so far given no Scripture proof for that belief. By no means should the writings of "the fathers" be depreciated but that belief, to give it prestige, must be sustained by Scriptural support. Only Matt. 16:18 has been quoted and lots of "fathers" are unable to see any in-

visible church in it. The business of following "the fathers" Bible or no Bible, must certainly be dangerous. Let the Bible show the existence of such an institution.

D Lipscomb, of the Campbellite Gospel Advocate was asked if "Ought a sinner to pray?" He replies: "There is no forgiveness of sin in any age of the world without confession of sin and prayer for the forgiveness of sin. Prayer is for the sinner, that he may be forgiven." Hear it, ye satellites of Mr. Lipscomb. You have been misapplying the quotation of Jno. 9:31, "we know that God careth not sinners," and taunting the Baptists for teaching sinners to beg for forgiveness. Give heed to your Chief and misrepresent Scripture no more!

Right has been triumphant in Tennessee. The Legislature by an overwhelming majority made it possible for all but six towns in our State to rid themselves of the iniquitous dram-shop. The fearless Dr. E. E. Folk, editor of *The Baptist and Reflector*, has been the most effective individual factor in bringing about this happy situation. He is president of the State Anti-saloon League and is a tireless worker. It is his brother, Hon. Jos. W. Folk, who has been so successfully exposing and punishing evil-doers in St. Louis. Someone lately remarked that we need a roll in every city.

D. Lipscomb was asked in the Campbellite Gospel Advocate, "Will all Christians be saved?" His reply was: "A Christian is saved—is in a state of salvation—so long as he continues a Christian, until death; he will be saved forever." What a contradictory conglomeration! Saved, and yet only on probation! Jesus said: "Verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My Word and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." Quite a difference!

FLEETWOOD BALL.

Paris, Tenn., Jan. 31st, 1903.

What are those large boxes seen almost daily going to and from the freight depots in our busy city? Why, they are boxes which contain pianos and organs going to and from Patterson & White's music emporium at 318 East Capitol street. When in the city, do not fail to call on them, examine their fine line of musical instruments and talk with them. They are affable gentlemen and will take great pains to show you their goods and give you all desired information in their line of business. We travel all over the State, and find their pianos and organs almost everywhere we go. It is gratifying to hear on every hand expressions of entire satisfaction with the instruments sold by these gentlemen. Considering the large amount of satisfaction and entertainment afforded by a good organ or piano, and the low prices at which they are now sold, it is a wonder that one or the other is not found in every home. Write to this wide-awake firm for styles and prices of goods.

Not a day passes without bringing us orders for books.

A Deacon I have Known.

A. J. BROWN.

With the belief that sketches of good men furnish noble incentives alike to old and young, I send a brief account of the life of A. J. Brown.

He was born Nov. 1841, at Ashville, St. Clair Co., Tenn., and was the fifth son and seventh child of John Miller and Delinda Brown. When about one month old his parents moved to Pontotoc Co., Miss., about twenty years of age he began to work on the farm and for sixteen years.

For some reason school training was limited to a few months at old Oak Hill

under a merchant, Helms Roberson, receiving in the spring and made of common

In the fall of '60 son was entrusted of his father's service, Pontotoc Co., where experience, and saw himself a capable

In the spring of '61 he responded to his country's call and Plenitude, Pontotoc company camped and this same year, he joined the 23rd Mississippi Regiment of this same mustered into the on Sept. 19th, the came from the confederacy for volunteers this regiment responded, and were ordered to report at once at Nashville, Tenn. Here began a term of service with the war, accompanied by trials and hardships familiar on a confederate soldier. His services in connection with the Middle or Western army and some of the battles engaged were at Donaldson, Baker's Creek, Resaca, Peach Tree Creek, New Franklin and Nashville.

Twice he was captured and imprisoned spending thirteen months in all at Camp Douglass prison, Vicksburg, Miss., where he was at the close of the war.

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Pontotoc Aberdeen, Miss.

The return to his home soon after the war was attended by mingled feelings of joy and sadness. 'Twas sweet to be at home, but the father had died while the young soldier lay in prison; the mother had gone before when he was only fourteen years of age. No father, no mother, negroes freed, stock all taken, no clothes, no provisions, the country devastated, were things that furnished a situation anything but inspiring. But there was a good step mother to encourage, and a determination to do something and when a request was made that the returned soldier teach a writing school of ten days he was ready and glad to comply.

The prospect for a new start in life was now brightening as he thought of a class of about twenty persons paying two dollars each for writing lessons, but the immediate need of clothing was yet a vexing problem. But the will and the way met again and a Mrs. Gambrell was found who had seven yards of plain gray jeans which they agreed to sell on credit provided the bill should be paid in gold or silver. The young man must have looked well in his jeans suit and must have done good work, for at the close of the first school at Poplar Springs he was asked to teach another at Oak Hill. These two schools netted the teacher about sixty-five dollars which caused him to take courage and thank the Lord for his goodness.

About this time Mr. Henry Dunn, a merchant at Pontotoc secured his services for one year at a salary of thirty-five dollars a month. At the end of this year, fall '66, a clerkship was sought in Memphis with Menken Bros. The young man's proposition was that the firm should try him thirty days and pay what they deemed just. When the time was up he was allowed seventy-five dollars and retained for the season at the same salary, the salary being increased from year to year. Here was a man with a mind to work and God honored and blessed him.

In the fall of '69, Jno. A. McNeil asked him to return to Pontotoc and form a partnership with him in the mercantile business, himself furnishing three-fourths and the young man one fourth of the capital, but the latter to share equally in the profits. For eight years this partnership continued, when Mr. McNeil's failing health led him to sell out to his partner, Mr. Brown then took his brother, R. P. Brown, whom he had been helping and retained the management of the business.

During the past fifteen years spent in Aberdeen it has been a pleasure of five pastors to know and labor with this consecrated Christian man. First came A. J. Miller, then in succession W. G. Curry, E. L. Wesson, J. N. McCallum, C. T. Kincaid. About these would come and lay a long tribute upon the head of this man of God before his eyes were closed and his ears were dulled by death.

He is a character of man low and admiring always an advocate of total abstinence and an earnest temperance worker, his whole life devoid of single oath, low and unadorned spirit, diligent in business, serving the Lord." The elements of true greatness so marked in him, that

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nature might stand up and say to all the world, "This is a man." May his days and his tribe be multiplied.

C. T. KINCAID.
Lexington, Jan. 23, 1903.

Field Notes.

Lagrippe—yes, a death like grip, it was. For nearly four weeks THE BAPTIST tramp has enjoyed (?) the unfriendly grip of the—well, if you have not had a visit, don't welcome the monster, if you can help yourself.

This fact will explain the failure to mention visits to Madison, Canton, Goodman, and Durant. The Baptist cause at each of these places is prospering. Dr. Z. T. Leavell still leads the saints in good works at Madison. Bishop Cooper, with his good people at Canton, is forging ahead. Everything is lovely in his field, and the new year opened with fair promises of a fruitful year in the Master's work. Tull is still leading the Durant saints. From victory to victory, they go. Never doubting, but the dear Lord will cause them to triumph in the end. Bishop Ellis, at Goodman, toils in hope, and with joyous expectancy, he and his people await the coming harvest.

A few hours spent in Pickens revealed the fact that Kincaid is "the right man in the right place." The saints here speak of him in the highest terms. Under his ministry the church is prospering. The Lord be praised.

The church at Paola, of which the writer has become pastor, is going to renew her strength, it is hoped, in the near future. The brethren in this section are now traveling by the lower route, but when the spring opens and they get on the upper road, we hope to bring something to pass.

THE BAPTIST man has greatly enjoyed his annual visit to the saints along the Valley R.R., in Southwestern Mississippi. The first halt was Natchez. Bishop Geo. B. Butler is bringing things to pass in this thriving and beautiful city. He and his good people are looking forward to the re-opening of their practically new church building. Within, it is a gem of beauty, and without, it will be so attractive as to be a joy, for even the house has been so enlarged as to meet all the demands of our people, while the tower and vestibule add so much to the architectural beauty, as to make it all that is desired.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey is to preach the dedicatory sermon on the first Sabbath in March. They have placed in the church a pipe-organ, and the house is to be heated by hot air. May great grace rest upon pastor and people.

Hamburg has as her pastor now Rev. S. R. Young. The outlook for the cause is encouraging. Bro. Y. is also pastor at Port Gibson, Roxie, and Union Church, with a membership of some 250, is pastored by Bro. H. H. Webb. The outlook in his field is hopeful. His people speak in the highest terms of him and his work.

Deacon E. B. Seales, of Roxie, is a mem-

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ber of Union Church. He is a merchant in Roxie, and a strong supporter of the cause both in Roxie and at Union. Sister Seales, his companion, has been a patient sufferer for many years. This scribe found pleasant entertainment in their comfortable home. Bidding her good-by, she said to the writer: "You will not see me next time you come," but said she was calmly waiting her summons home.

Centerville has as her Bishop, Rev. Joseph Jacobs. His people proclaim his praises. The Baptists are few in number, but great in energy and effort.

Gloster—Two days spent in this Baptist stronghold were both pleasant and profitable, as indeed, everywhere this tramp goes. Rev. W. A. McComb has already taken hold of the work with vigor and the way that the people are rallying to him is phenomenal. The prayer-meeting attended by this scribe was largely attended, and the service was spiritually uplifting.

From all that could be seen and heard, it would appear that pastor and people have formed a mutual admiration society. May the union so sweet continue, and may the Lord greatly bless the labors of his servants in Gloster.

From Bro. W. S. Culpepper, the fact was learned that he and his people are moving along harmoniously and prosperously. At this we rejoice.

New subscribers and renewals have had the right of way all along the line. May this state of things continue. Amen.

O. M. LUCAS.

A Message From the Man in the Moon.

It is generally known that Marconi has at last succeeded in sending a message by wireless telegraphy across the Atlantic ocean, from America to England. These communications are made by means of electrical waves which move in ether as sound waves on the air. There is about us a subtle element called "ether" which pervades space and on which electricity travels. By a process called "tuning" an instrument in America can communicate a message to an instrument of like character in mid-ocean or in Europe, if the two instruments are "tuned" in unison and command an altitude to overcome the curvature of the earth's surface. This is the process of wireless telegraphy.

And the people of America call themselves Christians. You quibble as to forms of prohibition. You lug the question into the domain of tricky politics. You use political methods in dealing with the question. You want it mildly considered. Liquid damnation dispensed by law in a Christian country! Be-gone! You must beat the brush where you know the devil will not run over, and I must burn brush forever. And you are a Christian people. You preach the doctrine of protection and purity, and cavil as to methods of prohibiting the sale of hell water. Be-gone with you! You legalize the sale of hell water, and I must burn brush forever. Things are not equal! Things are not equal!

If Marconi should deny having received this message, the only reply the writer will make is, that the facts contained in it are sober realities and deserve the prayerful attention of every right thinking man and woman.

Z. T. LEAVELL.

was unmistakable, "I am the Man in the Moon." Marconi said, "What do you want?" And the man in the moon proceeded thus with his message:

"Things are not equal. I have been a long time trying to get to say this. You people on the earth must be very dull. The earth is 6,000 years old, and you are just now mastering your nearest force. Let me tell you some things."

"Things are not equal. I am here in the moon for burning brush on Sunday, and must stay here as punishment for that crime. How long I have been here, I cannot tell, I must stay here as long as there is a moon, and keep burning brush. Yet, I see people on the earth desecrating every Sunday. They keep their stores open on Sunday. They gamble for money all day Sunday. They run the trains all day Sunday. They sell the Sunday papers all day Sunday. And yet I must stay here always burning brush for burning brush on Sunday. I can rest but a few moments at a time. The brush keeps coming from somewhere, and I must burn brush, or be covered with brush that will catch fire, and burn me to a charred mass."

"Things are not equal. I must be punished forever for burning brush on Sunday. I am chained to a rock. My legs are sore from the shackles, and my arms are weary of tossing brush, bids for centuries there has been no rest. Yet, you people on the earth condone the greatest evils in others. You license intemperance, you legalize the basest and most degrading practices. You license the traffic of hell water. You legalize the sale of the devil's fire drops. You know it can do no good. You know it deprives children of bread. You know it places helpless women in poverty. You know it is a blighting curse to the earth. Yet, you legalize its sale and establish hell holes on earth where it is sold, and lend it respectability. And I must be punished forever for burning brush on Sunday."

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The newspapers are like mirrors turned downward, reflecting only material, temporal things."—Dr. H. G. Guinness.

Four Factors in Missionary Work.

W. JAS. BOSSELL.

There is no enterprise fostered by any individual or people that has so much to commend it as our missionary work; with God for its author, Jesus Christ as its founder, the Holy Spirit for chief adviser, the salvation of souls for its achievement, and the glory of God as the sole incomparable undertaking. We as a people, once associated with other Gentiles, and if we knew the delights and beauties of the paths of righteousness it is because in the early days of Christianity missionaries unfolded to our ancestors the blessed news of the gospel. No truly grateful heart will be satisfied with doing less than telling some distressed soul of this healing pity.

As a people, we are only playing at "preaching the gospel to every creature." True, there is always a host of earnest, self-sacrificing workers, but there are myriads of dormant ones—people who are dead so far as spreading the gospel is concerned. This is not necessarily a bad element; many of them are bonds of the highest order, but in the cause; they are the material out of which we must make valiant soldiers and to these they must be aroused. The first factor we desire to mention is what God says about missions. As soldiers, we are under orders, as our Sovereign God has given us the right to command, to lead, and it is ours to gladly obey our Captain, and follow where he leads. "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek and his rest shall be glorious." (Isa. 11:10).

"I, the Lord, have called thee in righteousness, and will keep thee for a light of the Gentiles, for a sign to the people; to bring up the nations from the rising of the sun, even unto the setting down of the same; to be a light to the Gentiles; and in thy place, unto thy name, my name shall be known; and in every place unto thy name, I, saith the Lord." (Isa. 42:6). "And come to thy light, and the brightness of thy rising." (Isa. 60:3). "The sun, even unto the setting down of the same, my name shall be known; and in every place unto thy name, I, saith the Lord." (Mal. 1:11) "And his name shall be known among the Gentiles; and in thy name, I, saith the Lord." (Matt. 2:21). "I will confess that among the Gentiles, and sing unto him, Rejoice ye people." And again, "Praise the Lord, all the Gentiles; and laud him, all people." (Rom. 15:9-11).

Add to these given in Matt. 28:19, then to earnest misinterpretation of the Gentiles. Remember a small part of what he says. Keep these words in your mind, as jewels from the earth; and let them a part of your heart as jewels from the earth; and let them a part of your partner in Heaven's greatest enterprise, and whatever you do will work to your eternal good and glory. Water Valley, Miss.



Gov. S. C. Stickney.

The Hon. William Wallace Stickney, of Ludlow, the present governor of the Green Mountain State, (Vermont) was born in Plymouth, Vt., in 1853. He came from a stern ancestry, well typified by his father who was a man of strong character, large capacity and unusual attainments. He shared the wholesome experience of the farm and the district school, and completed his education at the famous Phillips Academy Exeter, N. H., from which he was graduated in 1877.

Previous to his graduation he had taught several terms of school, and had begun the reading of law. He was admitted to the bar in Windsor County in December, 1878, and soon entered upon a successful practice. In 1881 he was elected clerk of the house of representatives, and received, as a tribute to his efficiency, repeated reelections till 1892. In 1882 he was elected State's attorney for Windsor county, a position to which he was re-elected in 1890, and during these terms he was called upon to manage several important criminal cases in which he won a wide reputation as a thorough and capable trial lawyer. In 1883 he formed a partnership with John G. Agent. The firm was an extensive and increasing practice. Having the keen perception to discern the vital elements of a case, the gift of a ready and retentive memory and the power of clear and logical analysis combined with a forcible manner of statement of fact and argument, he is regarded as one of the leading lawyers of the State.

In 1892 he was elected speaker of the house of representatives. The efficiency of his service was fully recognized in 1894 by his reelection to the house and also to the speakership. His frank and popular acquaintance in the state and his conspicuous success as speaker made him, in 1896, the logical candidate for governor, and the young men of the state loyally rallied to his standard. While he lacked only three votes of a nomination in 1896, his ardent support gave him the unanimous nomination in 1898, and he was elected Governor

with the largest plurality, with a single exception, ever given to a candidate of the republican party for this office. As a public official, he is independent, self-reliant, painstaking and conscientious. He serves public interests as faithfully as his own, carefully forms his judgments, and cannot be swerved from his line of duty as he sees it. Gracious in manners, accessible to all, simple and democratic in tastes and life, able in speech and act, faithful to public trust, he adorns his high office and achieves a wise and dignified administration.—"The American Tyler" January 15, 1902.

[Governor Stickney is a consistent Baptist.—Ed.]

Brother Sample's "Query."

In THE BAPTIST of January 29th Bro. Sample quotes from Dr. Spilman the statement that "from the Sunday Schools come from 80 to 90 per cent. of all additions to our churches;" he then goes on to comment on that statement, and bemoans the fact that the Gospel as Baptists teach it "must be confined to a field so narrow as Baptist Sunday Schools and the children of Baptist families."

I join most heartily with my good Brother Sample in this lament, and wish that we could reach more people outside of "children of Baptist families" than we do, but is it not evident from the statement made by Dr. Spilman and agreed to by Bro. S. that the Sunday School is the great evangelizing agency of the church? I go further than the implication above, and claim that children of even Baptist families who do not attend Sunday School are largely without instruction in the Bible, either as taught by Baptists or anybody else. Is it not a fact, that of those outside of the Sunday Schools who do unite with the church all, or nearly all, are adults, and some of them men and women who owe their knowledge of the Bible to the instruction which they received in the Sunday School when they were children? What of the children of Baptist parents in this State who do not attend Sunday School; how many of such know anything about God's Word, or care anything about it? More than that, what about the adult members of Baptist churches who do not attend Sunday School; are they not ignorant of the Bible?

I am glad that Brother Sample said that he offered no objection to Sunday Schools, some of us had about concluded that he was not in sympathy with that work, and we rejoice to know that he is.

JNO. T. BUCK.

Jackson, Miss.

Is the World Ready for the Gospel?

Say not ye there are yet four months then cometh harvest. Behold, I say unto you lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. At the time of our Savior's life the fields were white to harvest, and they have gone on and on whitening and ripening until they are now ready for harvest. Ready to receive the glorious gospel of our Sa-

vor. Not only one field but all fields are now ready for the gospel. Every day reveals to us more and more the great need of the pure gospel in heathen lands and the duty of the church in the spread of this gospel. Barriers are being removed and the way of access to the people made ready. We are now most concerned lest the church fail to fulfill her God-given mission. It is our mission to win the world to Christ by carrying Christ and His gospel to the world. Is the world ready for this Gospel? Yes, this is proven to us by the willingness of the heathen to receive the Gospel and the harvesting of all foreign fields. The time is come for thee to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe. The cry of the missionaries to send more laborers into the field is also proof that the world is ready for the Gospel. If the world was not ready for the gospel God would not be giving these laborers such ingathering of souls. Say not ye there are yet four months then cometh harvest. The fields are white already to harvest. No loving word was ever spoken, no good deed ever done tomorrow. How often do we say some other time. How shall we find out what things can be done any time and what things now or never. Only by living in the faith that today is the only day we have. "Now is the accepted time." Now is the time we should do all we can in helping to send the gospel to heathen lands.

The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few. Luke 10:2.

That Baptist Member.

I notice in THE "BAPTIST" under date of January 29th you have a comment on a Baptist sister teaching in a Methodist Sunday-school. Under the circumstances the position is taken that the Baptist lady is justifiable in teaching in her Methodist Sunday-school. I do not care to discuss this question, but must take issue with the comment. I do not believe there are any circumstances that will make it justifiable for a Baptist to teach in a Methodist Sunday-school. The following reasons form the basis of my convictions:

1st. Because of the influence made on the world. There is no school but has its body of teachings. The Methodist Sunday-school likewise has its peculiar body of teachings. A Methodist "Elder" said to me some time ago, "the first thing we do with the child is to teach him that the Methodist church is right." Now, for a Baptist to become a teacher in a Methodist Sunday-school is to give the world the impression that the Baptist has given up his or her own convictions and is teaching Methodist doctrine. Christians need not necessarily get that impression but it is inevitable with a lost world. Hence, it is wrong.

2nd. Grant we are not responsible for the impression we make on a lost world, however we are, but for the sake of argument allow this—Have we the right before God to set aside our own convictions and teach the opposite upon so grave a question

as the eternal well-being of man? I say God, in His Word, has not given us this right.

3rd. Grant that you do not set aside your convictions of God's teachings but that you teach these Baptist doctrines in the Methodist Sunday school, do you not by secretly endeavoring to destroy the property and interest of your fellowmen, play violence to a broad principle in God's Word? For these reasons I believe that no circumstances will make the sister mentioned, or any other Baptist justifiable in teaching in a Methodist Sunday-school.

I have written upon this subject, not as a critic—I don't write those kind of articles, but expressing my honest convictions, yours in the work.

D. W. BOSSELL.

Meridian, Feb. 2, 1903.

Some Questions.

I have been thinking for sometime. I would ask you or Bro. Spilman, or both of you some questions on Baptism. Now, these questions may seem simple and commonplace to some yet I feel assured that they will be beneficial to more than to myself. Perhaps the brethren who write for THE BAPTIST expect us to read a great deal between the lines that we have not been able to see, so we will ask you to be just as explicit as possible. I have lying before me THE BAPTIST of Dec. 11, 1902. On the editorial page I read as follows: "Baptism is the initiative ceremony of the churches." The first question that comes into my mind is, what church did Christ's baptism initiate him into? 2. Or what church did John's baptism initiate people into? 3. Or into what church did Philip baptize the Enoch?

4. Does baptism make people members of Baptist Churches? or is it only one of the conditions of membership?

5. When where, and by whom was the first church organized.

(a) Was it organized before the institution of the Lord's Supper, and were all who had been baptized upto that time members of it? If so why did not Christ invite them to take the Lord's Supper?

(b) Why did he invite the twelve only?

6. Can there be a church ordinance when there is no church to enforce it.

7. If baptism was administered before there was a church, is it then a church ordinance?

8. If "Baptism is the initiative ceremony of the churches," is it "a declaration to the world of death to sin and a new life in Christ Jesus," or is it a declaration of church membership?

Lastly, if "primitive" baptism is to be accepted as valid by the missionaries, why not Campbellite baptism be so accepted since both sprang from the same source?

Sincerely yours,

A. T. CAMP.

It is not enough to read the Bible; one must meditate upon it and absorb its spirit and teaching. The Holy Ghost works in the soul to its enlightenment, quickening, direction and purity as the Work of God is carefully studied and vitalized assimilated.—Presbyterian.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

W. JAS. BINSON.

February 11—Cor. 8:4-13.

Christianity—Control.

Golden Text—*I therefore follow after the things which make for peace.* Rom. 14:19.

Read the context. The kingdom of God is the important duty of every individual, "for the first meat and drink; a peace, and joy in peace is life's greatest treasure and can be had by sincerely following Christ."

Vs. 1-3. In Corinth meat was sacrificed in the regular manner. Some of the Christians recognizing that nothing but the made had no scruples. This causes trouble. The nature of idols separates weaker brethren, genuinely sympathetic sacrifices in order to win another in Christian character.

The Biblical idea of eminent stand outside ourselves. When our idea of doing even to do we will be not better. It is that we not injure others in their Christian growth. *There is none other like one God.* There are many so-called productions of real God.

6. *Two there are not one God.* Hence things offered to gods. God is the author of all things and it may we hope for salvation.

7. *Not in every man, that knowledge reality, and does not being.* Some of the believing in the true time believing the *idol to be some being.* *Weak is the meat with no meat if done with no idea of honor.*

8. *Not meat of man, that knowledge andard whenever our revere questioning.* If truly commends us are not to leave it unless a question of liberty by all means you may win a victory.

9. *Some brethren at the beaten feet science was not to idol seeing the in honor of the ido*

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honor idols and so the strength of the strong became a cause of stumbling to the weak instead of being as it should have been, a help.

11. *And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish for whom Christ died.* Paul does not preach apostasy unto death here. The brother in question is not truly saved, but evidently is considering Christianity. When he sees a Christian doing to all appearances as he has ever done, he concludes that there is no real difference, or if any, the Christian is a hypocrite and by far the worse of the two. His conclusion is naturally to ignore Christianity, continue as he is, and as result, go to hell.

Christ died for this "weak brother," as much as for any, but when he was inclined to Christ through the error of looking to a man instead of Christ he made shipwreck. We must ever be ready to make personal sacrifices in order to help others. If Christ could afford to die for them, we can certainly afford to not use our full liberty. This is the least we can do when we properly consider what Christ has done.

2. *When ye sin so against the brethren and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.* So intense is Christ's love for every one.

13. *Wherefore if meat make my brother to offend I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.*

This is Paul's conclusion of the whole matter; he is willing to sacrifice personal liberty on every question to win those for whom Christ sacrificed everything. To do less proves us ingrates.

Apply the principles of this lesson to all places of our social life, for this lesson is really an issue in social life, and see what the result will be. Theatre going, card playing, dancing, seeing the races, using intoxicants, and many other things should be tested by this rule.

Perry County Prohibition Mass Meeting.

Pursuant to a call signed by several of our citizens we met in mass meeting at Hattiesburg on the 2nd instant. Though the weather was very unfavorable, it raining just about all day, we succeeded in having a "dry" enthusiastic mass meeting.

Bro. I. P. Trotter was chosen chairman and young Bro. Tucker was elected secretary.

Several resolutions, too lengthy to publish in this notice, were adopted. It is needless to say we put ourselves on record as being unreservedly in favor of the passage of a State prohibition law. One resolution was a pledge not to support any candidate for legislative honors who did not openly commit himself as being in favor of the passage of such a law.

8. *Not meat of man.* This should be of action, cause and the thing in question to God certainly done; but if it is liberty by all means you may win a victory.

10. *Some brethren at the beaten feet science was not to idol seeing the in honor of the ido*

having learned the true go socially and eatals, others whose conen entirely of regard vere encouraged to eat. It was wrong to thus

all men work uniformly with the rest of the tribe in pushing the great fight on to triumphant victory.

We are expecting a great meeting at Jackson on the 17th. In all the counties, which have not already done so, be sure to hold mass meetings and select delegates in order to insure a representation at Jackson. If we did not fail but hold mass meetings more good would be accomplished in starting the people to thinking, which would result in the crystallization of sentiment in support of the great cause we have espoused. So hold the meetings by all means.

Yours for success,

L. J. SHOEMAKER.

Gloster.

"Know known sweep clean," says the old adage, and just now we are enjoying this privilege at the First Church of Gloster. There were 130 in Sunday School yesterday, 250 innumerable and a B. Y. P. I. organized with 60 present. The Woman's Mission Society observed the week of prayer and carried out the program and took in \$200 for missions. Our mid-week prayer meeting has reached as high as 115 present and our church or preaching congregations are large, attentive and responsive with an occasional accession both by letter and for baptism. To the Master be the praise and glory and honor.

It is a pleasure to notice the encouraging reports in THE BAPTIST by the brethren of their work throughout the State. I was especially glad to notice the kind reception given Bro. Ellis and wife by my old church and the enthusiasm with which they start off.

W. A. McComb.

A Good Time at Pine Bluff.

The brethren arranged for a Mission to include Thursday and Friday before the first Sunday. We invited some of the neighboring pastors and laymen; but on account of bad roads and pressing engagements none came. However the pastor went carrying with him some Foreign Mission literature and envelopes and some tracts from "A Layman" in Chicago.

The Holy Spirit was with us as we sang and talked and prayed about the Lord's work.

One Sunday we made the first harvest, but I am constrained to believe that seed were sown which will continue to bear fruit to years to come.

In order that you may see how well we did, I will give the figures for the past few years.

Association year 1900, Foreign Mission, in thing 1901, \$2,000; 1902, \$7,85; Sunday for 1903, \$26,15. Nearly three times as much as for the three previous years combined. Added to this we raised \$5,80 to buy a communion set; and \$10.20 on pastor's salary also a fine sum for his family. Happy people, happy pastor.

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I left de Ford Tennessee with a sad heart but such joyful treatment has completely convinced me that Mississippi knows how to make me feel welcome and at home. It is my desire to do a great work here. The church is out of debt. Has a nice new building and a neat pastor's home. Now she undertakes preaching each Sunday.

J. R. SAMPLE

A Card.

Since the death of my beloved companion, kind friends from far and near have written me letters of condolence, which have greatly cheered me in my loneliness.

Will you furnish me a little space in your columns to express my grateful appreciation of those messages of love and to assure all my friends that I cherish and shall ever hold in remembrance their kindly expressions of interest in me.

I shall be glad if you will give space for this little missive presented by a dear little girl friend who lives just across the street from us, and prepared by her own hand. She is 11 years old and it will afford me pleasure to have it published in connection with this note.

E. B. McLAIN.

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A voice we loved is forever stilled,
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For each child a pleasant word,
A smile from every one,
Nothing but cheer from her we heard,
Her work how nobly done!

We knew her to have a "heart of gold,"
One that was kind and true,
She to no one her sorrows told,
But every one her goodness knew.

While we bemoan friends do mourn,
The blessed angels rejoice,
From our breast a loved one is torn,
And we miss her cheery voice.

From a little girl that loved her,

Claire Hill.

Some Figures Again.

It has been published, as a fact, that the number received into the Baptist churches in Ohio was scarcely enough to replace the losses by death during the year, and in connection therewith the statement is made that they have fifty eight thousand Sunday School pupils in Baptist Sunday Schools in that State. Referring to the above I asked how this state of things is to be accounted for if the Sunday School is a factor in the work of evangelization?

I am at a loss to know where, in connection with this, you find room for making the charge that I intimate that increase in membership would have been greater had the attendance on Sunday Schools been less. There is room, however, for an intimation of this sort that the Sunday Schools in the State of Ohio are not the important factors in the work of evangelization that is generally claimed for them elsewhere. It may be that, in Ohio,

Let those who sometimes suppose gen-

tleness to be tame, insipid virtue, make careful study of as seen in the character of Jesus.

They will learn to admire it. They will be impelled to cultivate it. They will perceive it to be a fruitful source of true and mighty power. When we under-

stand that Jesus is gentle, as Jesus was, because he is afraid to be; because, apart from the moral aspect of the matter, he realizes that he is strong enough in the highest sense to dispense with bluster, we feel that he has attained to a lofty and honorable level of character and life. Selec-

The nearer we get to Eden the more beauty we will see in the world. The nearer we get to Calvary the more exalted will be our thanksgiving. The more we recognize the goodness of God, as we walk daily among his mercies, the more we will feel like singing—"O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness and for his wondrous works unto the children of men."—United Presbyterian.

W. C. GRACE.

THE HOME.

Accidents—Carelessness.

It often seems perplexing to our faith that in the scheme of divine Providence such terrible disasters should follow from trivial acts of carelessness. One day a woman's carelessness permits a slave to remain in a bolt that he is to go; months afterward a calamity incident happens to a crew of steamship in mid-ocean, because his defective bolt was at a vital point in the ship's machinery, and an unusual strain had broken it. One day a railroad switchman, in a moment of carelessness, throws his switch the wrong way, and the express train is wrecked, killing a score of people. One day the drowsy wife, in her very eagerness to give her husband medicine, out of the strong glass, and thus (from an overdose) needlessly extinguishes the life she could have been called to save. And so on, through an almost endless list, the heedless, thoughtless, heedless, hasty acts of a moment, bear fruit in unspeakable suffering, ruin and death.

"For want of a nail the shoe was lost;
For want of a nail the horse was lost;
For want of a nail the rider was lost;
For want of a nail the battle was lost;
For the loss of a nail the kingdom was lost;
And all for the want of a horse-shoenail."

And what shall we say of the careless smith who put it in a bad nail or none at all? His was indeed the same carelessness which precipitated all this calamity from so small a beginning?

We are here in the presence of the great problems that press upon us when we turn to consider the suffering that is among men, so much of which is beyond our power to relieve. But when we ask for God's blessing in the wholesale destruction of life by a volcanic eruption or a tidal ocean-wave, let us not get involved in the greater questions just now. There is an important lesson for us in the matter of bread and kind.

We are all engaged in serving others, and the quality of our service largely depends upon our faithfulness and care. Often when no one can see us. The mainspring works in a watch may fail at the critical moment of a surgical operation. The

false lesson carelessly given in school or church may affect a soul that will never come under our influence again. Some chance reader of this journal may get, or fail to get, an impulse that will bear fruit in some other part of the globe. Our lives are thus bound together, for better or worse, in a net work of influences, given and received, that makes every man his brother's keeper. We cannot escape the responsibility, and we ought not to evade the opportunity. In this solidarity of the universe everything runs into everything. Every life in some way affects every other life.

There are, then, no trivial things. A slight defect, a little fault, a hasty word, a moment's weakness, may produce tremendous and enduring results, as a grain of sand in a vital organ may produce excruciating pain and sometimes death; or as an infant's hand may close the electric circuit to work itself out in destructive or beneficent deeds many miles away. "He that is faithful in that which is very little is faithful also in much," said our Lord. It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful, and we are all stewards of God for the benefit of our fellows. "Whatsoever ye do, work heartily as unto the Lord, and not (merely) unto men," was Paul's instruction to the slaves at their unrequited toil; how much more it appeals to us. How can we be careless in our work, whatever our work may be?

Christ was a man among men, and he has forever glorified the most common relations and work of life. In the workshop of Nazareth he sent out nothing that was unfinished or defective. There was no carelessness or indulgence attaching to the errands he did for his parents about the streets of his village. He was never discourteous or deceitful to old or young. No guile was found in his mouth. His teaching was faultless, even as his life was sinless. In the affairs of our daily life, as in the great concerns of our religion, he has left us an example, that we should walk in his steps.

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Do send a reader what you are doing if you are doing nothing, then report it so we will know how to do soon at the next convention.

The spring is coming and there will be a mighty fine time for pastoring. Give their people some studies in the Christ. Studies now running in the Baptist Union.

"Emerged from the Truth" was the subject of these studies last Sunday. Next Sunday it will be "The next Views of Duty." See them beautifully one lead to the other—anything wrong about it is surely it and see.

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Deaths.

[Death notices of 100 words and marriage notices of 25 are printed free; all over, cost one cent per word, which must accompany copy of notice.]

Avery.

Wilkesburg, Miss., near Ebenezer Church, Covington County.

On the 31st of Jan., we, the friends and relatives, laid to rest, in the Barns graveyard, all that was mortal of C. M. Avery, who died at the A. & M. College, of pneumonia, where his poor mother, helpful to all, and gave not only her time and means, but her sympathy and herself to relieve sorrow and need. Dear husband and children, follow her as she followed her Savior and you shall all meet again, never to part.

Such people do not die, but go to be with God.

He was just 21 years old, and one of the best boys I ever knew.

A TRUE FRIEND.

Neel.

Miss Mayde Neel, one of Wesson's noblest of Christian women, died Jan. 31, 1903. She was converted at thirteen and lived a consistent life till her Master called her away.

The vacancy made in this home circle and church choir, can never be filled just as she filled it. The poor and needy will miss her help and sympathy. To say she was a noble Christian, with high ideals does not overstate it. She was a quiet, but patient sufferer, and was prepared to go. The last conversation I had with her she said: "I never knew before, how much my Lord was to me how much I am to him." May the God of all comfort bless all who are bereaved by this sad death.

L. A. LEE.

Janey.

Miss Lillie Janey departed this life on December 12th, 1902. She was a consistent member of Oak Grove church and had been for many years. Her life was a benediction to all who knew her, so gentle and Christ-like. For eight or nine weeks she was on the bed of affliction. Her suffering was great, yet she never murmured.

She leaves a father, mother, sisters and brother heart-broken and sad, but they can confidently look toward the other shore, knowing that the Great Gardener has transplanted this flower to bloom in the Garden above.

May grace and consolation be given in this time of need and may they ever lean upon the One who stood by the grave of Lazarus and wept.

J. W. S.

Mrs. Lizzie Laird.

This good woman slipped away from her earthly home January twenty-third, 1903.

She was born in Mississippi, January twenty-fifth, 1842, and had several brothers and sisters, some of whom are left behind.

In 1863 she was married to E. H. Laird, of which union, there now survive the husband and five children, four having preceded her to the better land.

In 1858 she gave her heart to Christ, and joined old Strong River Baptist Church.

The writer had the pleasure of being her pastor the last two years; she loved her church, worked and prayed for it, was a sympathetic healer, and wrote

shaped with a spirit of reverence and devotion that was beautiful. Her home-life was Christ-like and in it God's kingdom and his righteousness were highest. Who, then, is surprised that each child is a Christian, and stayed in the home imbibing her life till the year of maturity had been attained?

Bridget Lain had built, that they might enjoy the evening of life. But at the same time, her mansion was finished in heaven, and the Lord called her to come and enter, and she obeyed the summons.

"Oh heaven is nearer than mortals think when they look with trembling dread At the misty future that stretches o'er From the silent home of the dead.

Thee that shuts in a dying hour, Will open the next in bliss. The welcome will sound in the heaven world.

Here the farewell is hushed in this.

We pass from the clasp of mournful friends, To the arms of the loved and lost. And those smiling faces will greet us here,

When on earth we have valued most. I know when the silver cord is loosed, When the rail is rent away,

Not long and dark shall the passage to the realm of endless day.

(MRS.) W. A. McCOMBE

(MRS.) J. F. HILL.

Married.

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WONDERFUL! WONDERFUL.

Governor Stone's letter, Hon. R. H. Henry's, and letters from stammerers published in this paper and the Clarion-Ledger, coupled with the Christian Advocate's endorsement of Dr. G. W. Randolph, are causing many stammerers to come to Jackson and get cured of stammering.

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Read Capt. H. L. Taylor's letter.

CAPT. H. L. TAYLOR
Son Dr. Randolph cured His Son of Stammering.

Editor Clarion-Ledger:

Bronton, Miss., Feb. 7—I wish to add my testimony to that of yourself and other reliable persons in reference to treatment of Dr. G. W. Randolph for stammering. My son, now nineteen years of age, has been stammering for the last twelve years. We noticed the letter of Governor Stone, in whose statements we all have the utmost confidence, and determined to give it a trial, and I am happy to say that after the first lesson given by Dr. Randolph he has not stammered since, and we feel that he has been permanently cured. The Doctor's method is simple but effective, and I feel that I cannot commend him too highly to the unfortunate stammerers of our State.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Woman's Central Committee:

Mrs. E. G. Hackney, President, Meridian; Mrs. W. R. Woods, Secretary, Meridian.

[All communications to be sent to Mrs. L. J. Johnson, Clinton, Miss., who conducts the Woman's page.]

Program February.

Subject—Africa and her work. "Quiet, persistent, useful work needed."

1. Bible Reading—Kingdom of God: To be established 31: 2; 4:12; 6:10; Luke 17:20, 21.

To be extended. Luke 13:38; Matt 16:15, 16; 28:18; triumph Matt. 28:19; Rev. 11:15.

2. Hymn—"How Firm Our Foundation."

3. Call for Scattered Workers—These are helping those who have experienced, or stand.

4. Selections from Standard Manual of Christian Life by Rev. W. Harvey Clark.

5. Items for Leader—Schools in Japan are sending back in 2,000 to 3,000 graduates every year to scatter seeds of truth. The best novel of last year was a Christian story. Daily papers are abounding with thoughtful article on religion.

6. Business, Collection Plan for observance of the Week of Self-Denial in March.

7. Ask your members to be prepared to answer roll-call questions on quotations, or short, incisive questions of poetry.

8. Leaf—"Our Work in Africa," by Rev. C. E. Smith.

9. Informal Conversation—"Why should every Christian be interested in Foreign Missions?"

10. Make out a list of those who do not belong to our society; pray for them; try to interest them in the work.

11. Closing Hymn—Prayer in concert.

Report of Central Committee.

The following reports have been reported during the quarter ending January 1st, 1903:

Bogue Chitto Association—McComb, foreign missions \$7.

New Salem—New Salem, home missions \$5, orphanage 1.

First Church Jackson—Jackson 11, foreign missions 7.50, ministerial education 5, Utica, home uses 1; total 7.50.

Clinton—Clinton, home missions 5, foreign missions 5.

Chickasawhay Association—Wm. Carey, First Church Meridian, foreign missions 5; Shubuta, foreign mission 3; 41st Avenue, Meridian, foreign missions 2.50, home uses 2.50, or-

phanage 16.67; T. L. A. & M. First Church Meridian, home missions 3.50, state missions 10, foreign missions 11.30; L. M. S. First Church Meridian, home missions 7.60, state missions 7.68; foreign missions 17.

Chickasaw Association—Cherry Creek, foreign missions \$7.35.

Columbus Association—Armstrong Society, foreign missions \$10, orphanage 4, sustentation 4.50; Starkville, ministerial education 5; West Point, home uses 13; Mt. Zion, foreign missions 1.13; orphanage 5.50; Macon, foreign missions 4.75, home uses 4.20.

C-lowater Association—Senatobia, home missions \$3.35, state missions 3.30, foreign missions 4.35, home uses 22.10, orphanage 18.50, sustentation 1.

Copiah Association—Smyrna, home uses \$4.80, orphanage 30; Hazlehurst, home uses 90.02, orphanage 31.45; Wesson, foreign missions 5, home uses 44.60, Mississippi College 10, ministerial education 5.

Gulf Coast Association—Moss Point, foreign missions \$7, home uses 33.

Lebanon Association—Ellisville, sustentation \$16, ministerial education 8; Hattiesburg, foreign missions 2.50, home uses 10.

Mississippi Association—Glosser, orphanage \$65.

Pearl Leaf Association—Ebenezer, foreign missions \$1.10, home uses 9.60, orphanage 22.30, general missions 1.75.

Yazoo Association—Winona, home uses \$2.25, orphanage 52; Lexington, home uses 1.50, Mississippi College 5.

Yalobusha Association—Cascilla, foreign missions \$5; Grenada, home missions 5, church building and loan fund 10; Pickens, orphanage 10.80, ministerial education 5; Mt. Paran, home uses 10, orphanage 3; Coffeyville, orphanage 13, Mississippi College 5; Ashland, home uses 5.70, Mississippi College 5, ministerial education 5.

TOTALS.

Home missions \$28.53, state missions 20.98, foreign missions 262.75, home uses 478.22, orphanage 370.01, sustentation 21.50, Mississippi College 3, ministerial education 5.70, church building and loan general missions 1.75; total 1,263.04.

Boxes—Sunday School Board \$250, Home Board 10.935 Grand total \$2,552.39.

Mrs. W. M. R. Woods, Secretary Central Committee.

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Home Board—Shinquah \$102.70; L. M. S. First Church Meridian 190, Crystal Springs 34.50; Wesson 38, Hazlehurst 17.60, County Line Damascus 17.60, County Line Gallman 17.85, Bethel 6.25, Harmony 6, New Zion 8.50, Spring Hill 5, Smyrna 7, Sylvarena Starkville 76, Brownsville Terry 16, Utica 19.20, Raymond 60, Oakley 2.25, Palestine 9. Learned 3.20, Chapel Hill 10.00 West Point 90, Pickens 41.00 Grenada 32, Mt. Paran 20, Coffeyville 20, 41st Avenue Meridian 51, Clinton 58.45, First Church Jackson 15, West Jackson 0, wards 15, New Salem 5; total 1,039.35.

TOTALS.

Christmas offering \$1, foreign missions 9.65, state missions 10, S. S. Board 5.85, endowment 5, home uses 9.25, orphanage 8.60. —\$51.35.

Blue Mountain box to orphanage 821, Meridian First Church Instant Class Box to orphanage 7.50 and Christmas offering to orphanage 7.62.

Grand total \$88.48.

Mrs. E. P. BROACH, JR., Superintendent Band Work.

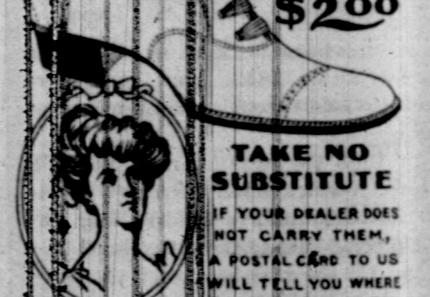
Important!!

A favour V. M. V. in Water Valley over one hundred (\$100) dollars was pledged by missionary societies and individuals for Church Building and Loan Fund. Those who have not redeemed these pledges will kindly send the amounts they respectively promised to Mrs. Z. Z. Leavell, Jackson, the earliest possible date.

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Report of Band Work for quarter ending January 1st, 1903.

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Clinton—Foreign missions 1.25; total 4.25

McComb—S. S. Board \$5.00, orphanage 3.50; total 9.50.

First Church Meridian—Chancery offering \$3, foreign missions 2.15, orphanage 3.85; total 8.

Wesson—Christmas offering \$1, home missions 5, endow-

1903.

THE BAPTIST

TEMPERANCE.

BY W. H. PATTON.

Nominal Fines.

The Lauderdale County grand jury made a report to Judge Hall that justice was being thwarted by the nominal fines being imposed by the Justices of the Peace in the County. I can see why they do it, because the average Justice wants the cost worse than he wants a rigid enforcement of the law. If Judge Hall could realize that the illegal liquor seller is perfectly willing to have light fines imposed every six months, that he considers it cheap license, and follow the example of some other Judges in the State and give them six months and five hundred dollars fine, they would not take the chances. They would not sell any more whisky for two years unless they escaped from the convict camp, and if they did, they would stop in his district. It is said you cannot make men good by law. That is another piece of nonsense which the apologists for the liquor traffic employ against prohibition. If so, what is the use for any law? The suppression of criminal laws is that they do have some restraining influence among men. They not only serve to punish bad men and protect good men, but they tend to keep many individuals out of a life of crime which they would have entered if there had been no such laws. I apprehend that we are all a great deal better under law, and by reason of law, than we would be without any law. No doubt there is a great deal more of crime in the State than there would be if we had no criminal code. By so much are men made better by reason of law. We have a good prohibitory law in nearly all the counties in the State, and if the Judges will give maximum instead of minimum fines, it will, to a very large extent, do away with the illegal sale. The keepers of these dives would be forced to go into some decent business which would make them and their wives and their children better. Will not the judges try it and see how it works?

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where kerosene kills one; alcohol burns dozens where kerosene burns one.

These same papers are doing what they can to prevent the securing of statutory prohibition. Why want the lesser evil prohibited and license the greater? Reader, go to the mass meeting at Jackson on Tuesday February 17th, 1903, so we may have a rousing mass meeting and then see to it that the man that goes to Jackson to represent you in the Legislative Halls does not misrepresent you. The next legislature should give statutory prohibition and then after trying it two or three years, submit it to the people to vote on it as a constitutional amendment.

Whisky Literature.

The second installment of whisky tracts have been sent out by the distiller's bureau in New York City to the address of every voter in Mississippi where the address can be obtained. One is entitled the History of Prohibition in America, the other Atlanta Ga.'s Experience. To believe the lies sent out by them one would understand that the licensed sale of liquor built up commerce, increased the value of property, paralyzed every line of business except the whisky business and that is increased so the distilleries have to be enlarged and an increase in number of 32 percent. Caused people to become better to each other and they had no inclination to engage in any public enterprises, not only those in the liquor traffic and those opposed to them, but the best citizens of the city. It had a distressing effect on the morals of the people. There was more drunkenness and more whisky drank than there was when there was 96 licensed saloons. If such were true, why do the distilleries and breweries spend so many thousands of dollars to defeat prohibition?

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for Sheriff of Illinois county.

Personal.

—Evangelist Clegg will be
ing with the First Church, Chica-
February 15th.

—We extend sympathy to
Simeon and wife of Gallatin on
loss of their infant last week.

—The Wesson church overpaid
tor's salary last year by at least \$100.
This is good. We understand
under the pastoral care of Rev.
and the Sunday School under
superintendence of Dr. E. A.
doing a magnificient work.

—A note from Bro. Bur-
"BRO. BAILEY.—The first Spring
long be remembered to be the g-
of India. It was at their place and
pront to have Present. B. G. Bailey,
who was at his best for three
cannot express the good they ex-
perienced and I must say the
the president for he was glad to
arranging a trip to Europe next
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